

P&G Case 7730R

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19. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the composition is a cosmetic foundation.
20. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the composition is electrostatically sprayed at a flow rate of from about 0.1 to about 100 ml/hr, a voltage of from about 1kV to about 20kV, and an application rate of from about 0.01 mg composition /cm² skin to about 12 mg composition /cm² skin.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 10-21 are pending and stand rejected in the present application. Claims 4-6 and 17-20 have been amended to correct the original multiple dependency language of the claims so that each of the amended claims depend only on claim 1. Support for these amendments may be found in the claims as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

Invention Synopsis

The present invention as elected relates to a method of treating skin comprising electrostatically spraying an emulsion composition onto the skin, wherein the emulsion comprises: (a) from about 5% to about 75% of an insulating external phase comprising one or more liquid insulating materials; and b) from about 15% to about 80% of a conductive internal phase comprising one or more conductive materials. Applicants have surprisingly found that the claimed emulsion compositions are capable of being electrostatically sprayed to skin for treatment of the skin.

Restriction Requirement

Applicants previously provisionally elected with traversal Group I) which includes claims 1-12. The Office states that claim 6 is generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising insulating material of the external phase and is therefore requiring Applicants to elect a single disclosed species under 35 USC §121. More particularly, Applicants are required to elect a class of compounds listed in claims 7-9. Consequently, Applicants provisionally elect with traversal the species of volatile silicones of claim 7.

Similarly, Applicants have also been required to elect a species of the conductive phase from claims 12-16 under 35 USC §121. Accordingly, Applicants provisionally elect with traversal the species of propylene glycol from claim 13.

Information Disclosure Statement

The Office has indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement mailed by Applicants on December 8, 2000 was not considered due to the lack of a 1449 form and the prior art. As indicated by the copies that accompany this response, such documents were submitted at that time. In order to expedite prosecution of this application, Applicants refer the Office to the file wrappers of the co-pending

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